RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNING BODY CITY OF GARDNER, KANSAS

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The City Council of the City of Gardner, Kansas met in regular session on October 18, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Gardner City Hall, 120 East Main Street, Gardner, Kansas, with Mayor Steve Shute presiding. Present were Councilmembers Todd Winters, Mark Baldwin, Kacy Deaton, Randy Gregorcyk, and Tory Roberts. City staff present were City Administrator James Pruetting; Deputy City Administrator Amy Nasta; Finance Director Matthew Wolff; Police Chief James Belcher; Utilities Director Gonz Garcia; Parks and Recreation Director Jason Bruce; Community Development Director David Knopick; Public Works Director Kellen Headlee; City Attorney Ryan Denk; and City Clerk Sharon Rose. Others present included those listed on the sign-in sheet and others who did not sign in.

CALL TO ORDER

There being a quorum of Councilmembers present, Mayor Shute called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Shute led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Proclaim the month of October 2021 as Breast Cancer Awareness Month in the City of Gardner, Kansas

Mayor Shute read into record a proclamation recognizing October 2021 as Breast Cancer Awareness Month in the City of Gardner, Kansas.

Councilmember Tory Roberts, breast cancer survivor, accepted the proclamation. She emphasized that early detection is the key to survival.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No members of the public came forward.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Standing approval of the minutes as written for the regular meeting on October 4, 2021
- 2. Standing approval of City expenditures prepared September 30, 2021 in the amount of \$5,635,562.29; October 1, 2021 in the amount of \$417,352.07; and October 8, 2021 in the amount of \$311,436.03
- 3. Consider a reappointment to the Citizens Police Advisory Committee
- 4. Consider an appointment to the Citizens Police Advisory Committee
- 5. Consider authorizing an agreement for construction inspection on the Moonlight Safe Routes to School project

Councilmember Winters made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Councilmember Baldwin Seconded.

With all of the Councilmembers voting in favor of the motion, the motion carried.

PLANNING & ZONING CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consider accepting the dedication of right-of-way and easements on the final plat for Tallgrass 2nd Plat

Councilmember Gregorcyk made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Councilmember Deaton Seconded.

With all of the Councilmembers voting in favor of the motion, the motion carried.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

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OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

COUNCIL UPDATES

City Clerk Rose said she has three applicants for the Planning Commission opening. She will reach out to the interview team to begin coordinating interviews. Rose noted the city is hosting the mobile mammography bus at City Hall on November 12, and said there is more information on the city's website.

Director Knopick said they have a Planning Commission meeting next Monday night. They will be discussing billboards and proposed amendments for billboards in the sign regulations code.

Director Headlee said they will have a PWAAC meeting Monday, October 25, 7pm, at the Senior Center.

City Administrator Pruetting noted the snow removal discussion held at the last meeting. Staff researched neighboring cities, and found that most cities had a time frame of 48 hours for snow removal. In discussions with the Chamber, they decided to put together a survey for the downtown businesses. They plan do to that before the end of the month.

Councilmember Roberts suggested that ordinance review processes be revisited. Pruetting said code violations are complaint based. Going forward, they can look at it. Roberts appreciated the proclamation; early detection is key.

Councilmember Gregorcyk asked for follow up to sidewalk on the Center St. bridge. Pruetting said it is part of Center St project. Roberts said there was an open house recently. Director Headlee said widening the sidewalk is part of the Center St. project and is in design now.

Councilmember Baldwin referenced the Parks Master Plan update and asked if they are considering future parks being more inclusive. He asked for consensus from the council to have parks staff begin researching retrofitting Celebration Park for inclusiveness. It's a city amenity provided to everyone, but it's not inclusive for everyone to use. Mayor Shute said JCPRD has been doing inclusive playgrounds in recent years. Can staff reach out for more information? Baldwin said Olathe has disability committee that put in a new park recently. Variety KC is a nonprofit to educate on this subject. Shute suggested having PWAAC and Parks committee work together. Director Bruce said they can also include the Gardner Gold Special Olympics committee.

Mayor Shute announced that Boo Bash is coming up, and asked about Police handing out candy. Chief Belcher said officers will be handing out candy in neighborhoods. Shute said the SWJCEDC will host a Developers Day tomorrow. Shute noted early voting in Johnson County starts October 23. Please get out and vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, on a motion duly made by Councilmember De	eaton
and seconded by Councilmember Baldwin the meeting adjourned at 7:18p.m.	

City Clerk	